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SUBJ: MOBUTU'S PEACE MAKING EFFORTS

1. MOBUTU LAST EVENING GAVE ME FOLLOWING SUMMARY
HIS CURRENT EFFORTS TO REBUILD STABILITY ON HIS BORDER.

2. MOBUTU SAID HE HAD BEEN DEEPLY DISTURBED IN RECENT
MONTHS BY THE FOCUS OF INSTABILITY GROWING OUT OF
FRATNICIDAL STRUGGLE WITHIN BURUNDI WHICH THREATENS TO
TEAR THAT COUNTRY APART, UPSET RELATIONS IN THE AREA AND
DAMAGE AFRICA'S IMAGE. HE HAS ALSO BEEN DISTURBED AT QADHAFT'S

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EFFORTS TO ADD TO REGIONAL INSTABILITY BY EXPORTING HIS PERSONAL

COMPLEXES AND HIS HATRED OF ISRAEL INTO BLACK AFRICA AND PARTICULARLY TO MOBUTU'S CENTRAL AFRICAN NEIGHBORS, UGANDA, BURUNDI AND CONGO-BRAZZAVILLE.

3. AT THE LAST OAU SUMMIT IN ADDIS HE HAD TAKEN THE LEAD IN CLOSED SESSION TO STOP THE BANDWAGON LEAD BY LIBYA TO CALL ON BLACK AFRICA TO BREAK RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. HE TOOK THE POSITION THAT EACH MEMBER STATE'S FOREIGN POLICY SHOULD BE DECIDED ON THE BASIS OF ITS OWN INTERESTS. HE HAD ALSO WORKED IN THE CORRIDORS WITH AMIN AND MICOMBERO AMONG OTHERS TO POINT OUT THE UNWISDOM OF TAKING ON LIBYA'S QUARRELS WHEN THEY ALREADY HAD ENOUGH PROBLEMS OF THEIR OWN.

4. MOBUTU SAID HE BELIEVED HE HAD MADE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS WITH AMIN WHEN HE RECENTLY VISITED UGANDA AND HAD BEEN HIGHLY GRATIFIED WITH HIS SUCCESS AT GOMA JULY 18 (KINSHASA 5921 NOTAL) IN HELPING MICOMBERO AND RWANDA'S NEW PRESIDENT, HABYALIMANA, LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR NORMALIZATION OF THEIR RELATIONS, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT RWANDA IS A HUTU STATE AND BUJUMBURA IS DOMINATED BY TUTSIS. AT THE SAME TIME HE HAD URGED MICOMBERO TO TRY TO COOL RACE RELATIONS WITHIN HIS OWN COUNTRY AND OFFER HIS HUTU MAJORITY SOME HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

5. HE HAD CONTINUED, THIS TIME SUCCESSFULLY, HIS EFFORTS TO PERSUADE MICOMBERO TO GO WITH HIM TO DAR TO MAKE PEACE WITH NYERERE. HE HAD EARLIER ASCERTAINED, THROUGH FONMIN NGUZA'S VISIT TO DAR, NYERERE'S INTENTION TO BE RECEPTIVE. HIS INTERESTS IN SETTLING THE BURUNDI-TANZANIA QUARREL INCLUDED NOT ONLY HIS DESIRE FOR STABILITY ON HIS FRONTIER BUT ALSO THE EASTERN ZAIRE'S DEPENDENCE ON THE TRANSIT OF GOODS THROUGH BUJUMBURA, NOW BLOCKED BY TANZANIA. HE WAS OPTIMISTIC THAT JULY 21 MEETING IN DAR BETWEEN HIM, NYERERE AND MICOMBERO WOULD RESULT IN RESTORATION OF TRADE AND A BASIS FOR BETTER RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO NEIGHBORS.
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